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Federal Communications Commission
1919 M. Street Suite 222
Washington, DC 20554
(Atten. Comments on Docket 92-235)

Dear Sirs:

I recently received information about the docket concerning the FCC's proposal to reduce occupied band width and reduce base station power output.

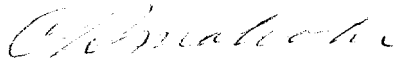
Morrow County is a rural county, sparsely populated with no effective means of communication except for county radios. Morrow County is located near Ordinance which contains Army chemical weapons stockpiles and Hanford Nuclear Reservation. Our radio communications presently provides a vital link in the Federally mandated Emergency Management Plan in addition to helping provide for the day to day health and welfare of Morrow County residents.

As Public Works Director, I am responsible for providing a safe transportation system. Our radios are frequently used to dispatch maintenance crews in emergency situations such as washouts caused

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radio system. This would not be in the best interest of Morrow County and I can not support it unless the change was financed by Federal funds.

Sincerely,



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Public Works Director

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